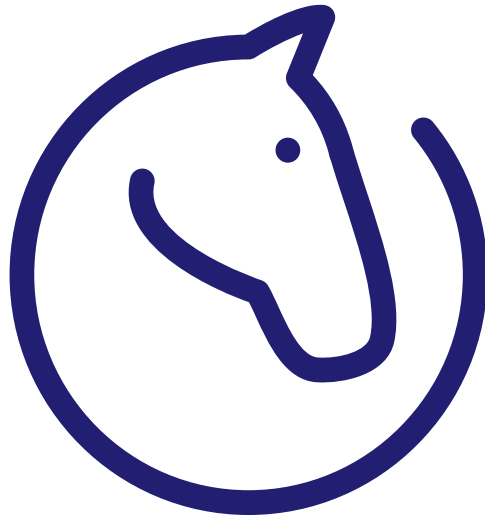


**EQUINE  
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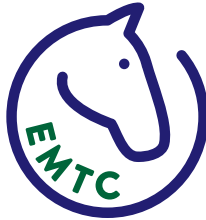
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## MISSION STATEMENT

The Equine Management Training Center offers a comprehensive certification program sharing the knowledge and skills necessary to become a professional groom and manage all aspects of equestrian life.



## EQUINE MANAGEMENT TRAINING CENTER, LLC OFFERS A COMPREHENSIVE CURRICULUM:

### Professional Groom Certificate Program Classroom Instruction

#### Biology of the Horse

- Basic Anatomy and Physiology
- Musculoskeletal Structures

#### Health and lameness

- Soft tissue injuries
- Treatments
- Understanding modalities
- Medications and injections
- Colic and tying up
- Vaccinations and worming schedules
- Care of teeth

#### Alternative Therapies

#### Nutrition

- Feeds and feeding
- Interpreting a feed label
- Digestive anatomy
- Developing feed programs
- Supplements

#### Health of the horse

- Identification of problems
- Accurate record keeping
  - Coggins, passports

#### Farrier

- Basic anatomy and function
- Basic trimming and shoeing
- Corrective trimming and shoeing
- Injuries and problems
- Alternative shoeing

#### Farm maintenance

- Fencing and turnout
- Types of buildings and structures
- Types of equipment and uses

#### Stable management

- Record keeping
- Budgeting
- Bookkeeping
- Communication skills
  - Other staff, rider relationships
- Hiring/firing

#### Care of the horse while showing

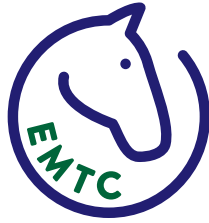
- Scheduling
- Things to look for

#### Rehabilitation of the horse

- Returning from an injury
- Care during an injury
- Rehab schedules and treatments

#### Ethics and clean showing

- USEA/USEF/FEI Rules
- Drugs (legal and illegal)
- Doses



## Professional Groom Certificate Program Practical Instruction

### Grooming

- Basic grooming of the horse
- Essentials for your grooming box

### Haltering/Handling/Turnout

- Preparing the horse for turnout
- Correct use of boots and polos
- Fly gear - sheets, masks, flyspray

### Blanketing

- Types of blankets
- Fitting blankets
- Blanketing procedures

### Stall cleaning

- Different types of equipment
- Different types of bedding

### Barn cleaning and care

- Feed room organization
- Tack room organization
- Tips for keeping barn clean and organized

### Ring Care

- Types of footing
- Watering
- Types of drags

### Groundwork

- Basic principles of groundwork
- Roundpen work

### Tacking the horse

- Fitting the tack
- Different types of tack
- Purposes of tack
- Bitting
- Caring for tack

### Riding

- Tacking/different types for type of riding
- Hacking
- Basic flat work
- Trotting/galloping

### Conditioning

- Horse and rider
- Different programs for different breeds
- Different programs for different levels
- Getting horses fit in different places

### Clipping

- When
- What type
- Procedure

### Show turnout

- Rider turnout
- Horse turnout and products
- Braiding
- Tails
- Tricks of the trade

### Boots

- Different types and uses
- Alternative protection

### Studs

- Different types and uses
- How to use them

### Aftercare

### Basic vet care

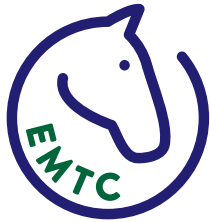
- Detecting lameness
- Wound care
- Wrapping
  - Different types and when
- Vet kit contents
- First aid
- Administering shots
- Emergency care

### Trailer/traveling with a horse

- How to prepare to ship a horse and trailer
- Loading
- Driving a trailer - two horse and six horse
- Care during travel
- Flying with horses
- Packing for a flight
- Paperwork
- Care of trailer

### Show set up and scheduling

- Horse care at a show
- What to pack
- Stall set up
- Tack room set up
- A day at a show



## EQUINE MANAGEMENT TRAINING CENTER, LLC SUPPORT

"The Equine Management Training Center's two part program is an essential step in providing comprehensive education, practical training and certification for professional grooms. Their faculty brings a depth of knowledge and experience that is unparalleled on the world stage of equestrian sport. The Professional Riders Organization is proud to support and be an affiliate of EMTC, providing access to PRO Accident & Disability Insurance, professional groom internships and continued professional development for students and graduates of the program."

-- SAMANTHA LENDL, PRO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

"The key to any professional competitor's program is their relationship with the person helping to take care of the horses. The relationship between their horses and a groom is as important as any in the team. Samantha Henley has the experience of being on international teams and has put together a program that is vital to all professional horsemen no matter the discipline. There is no other program like this in the country. All professionals will be better off knowing that their employees have been taught by the best. The program is comprehensive between classroom and hands on experience. Sam was with me during some of my most successful campaigns. *Those successes were in large part because Sam was part of my team. Learn from the best.*"

-- DAVID O'CONNOR

"One of the hardest positions to fill in the equestrian world is that of a top-class groom. The array of equine management skills, horsemanship, and leadership required is extraordinary. It is also remarkably rare because most of it is truly only gained from the experience of working with horses under the watchful eye of someone very educated in that role. As a result, we are an industry of mostly "on-the-job" training, which is both time consuming, wasteful and inefficient, and contributes to the devaluation of the "groom" position as an occupation. What the training center for Grooms could do for the professional horse industry, by providing an educated, certified, ready-to-hire equine management practitioner, cannot be understated. It would allow countless people who dream of a job working with horses to learn and acquire the skills necessary to do so, all the while providing horse business owners or hobbyists with a steady supply of reliable candidates for grooming positions in their barns. It would satisfy an enormous need in our growing industry."

-- WILL COLEMAN

"Being a groom you need to be selfless, confident, patient, aware, flexible, and always ready to learn. It is a lifestyle, not a job. The hours can be very long, but the rewards are very high. Sometimes it's not the big competitions that are your favorite moments, it's the quiet time at the barn that rocks your heart. A good groom is the backbone to any successful program, our job is to make sure when that rider gets on, all they worry about is riding."

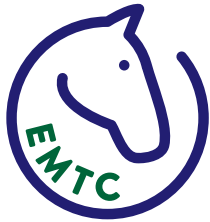
-- MAX CORCORAN

"As a professional, the most important part of my program are the grooms. No matter how well you ride or train, the horses can't perform their best without the never ending care and attention they receive from our grooms. Every tiny detail matters and the best grooms in the business have spent years and decades mastering the craft. The Professional Equine Groom School is a fantastic program and necessary for anyone aspiring to be a top groom or wanting to learn as much as possible about caring for an equine athlete."

-- LAUREN KIEFFER

"Sam and Suzanne have developed a thorough and challenging classroom and practical curriculum for their Professional Equine Groom School. This program will provide an outstanding service to the sport of eventing by developing individuals with profound horsemanship skills."

-- DIANNE PITTS, USEA PRESIDENT



## EQUINE MANAGEMENT TRAINING CENTER, LLC STAFF

**Suzanne Martin Lacy** is a teacher by education and equestrian through heartfelt passion. She started her career with horses at a very early age. Suzanne shares her knowledge of horses with students of all ages through lessons, eventing, coaching, and caring for animals.

Suzanne's goal is to provide a place where all from 8 years to 85 plus can come and learn to ride. Sandy River, now in the 26th year of operation, has 230 acres and 37 horses with 13 school horses that are capable of helping our students compete from competitively through training level. "It is so important to me that everyone who wants to ride is given this opportunity to learn to ride and learn the responsibility of caring for a horse and appreciate what a horse can do for their confidence. Someone has to start our future eventers." Suzanne states enthusiastically!

Suzanne is the owner of Sandy River Equestrian Center and has trained with Jim Wofford, Karen O'Connor, Betsy Steiner, Peter Grey, and Virginia Wiseman. She lives on the property with her husband Rusty Lacy, who is in charge of farm maintenance.

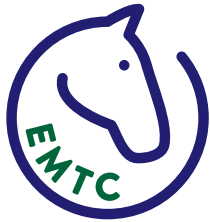


**Samantha Burton Henley** is the Head Trainer and Facility Manager at Sandy River Equestrian Center owned by Suzanne Martin Lacy in Axton, Virginia. Sam came to Sandy River Equestrian Center approximately 10 years ago from the O'Connor Event Team, where she was the Competition Manager for the O'Connors and David O'Connor's Head Groom. In that capacity, she has traveled all over the world caring for 4-Star and Olympic level horses. In addition to the experience with the O'Connors, Sam has been a Head Groom for the 2004-2006 Area II NAYRC Teams and the Head Groom for the 2006 Canadian WEG Team. At Sandy River, Sam is an instructor and trainer for many up and coming young horses, young riders and their horses. Sam also works with adults. She assists Suzanne in creating a world class training center at SREC which hosts YRAP camps and O'Connor Event Camps. Sam resides at Sandy River with her husband, Boe and her daughters, Danni and Riley.



**Cari Zimmer**, Marketing Director, has been involved with Sandy River Equestrian Center for over 20 years. It all began when her youngest daughter, at the age of four, wanted to have a "Pony Birthday Party". Fast forward to now — all three of Cari's children have ridden under the guidance of Suzanne. With their persuasion Cari took lessons to learn, first hand, the concentration and strength needed to ride a horse. First day out, she mastered jumping an oxer, backwards. Her involvement with horses continues to this day as her youngest daughter pursues a career as the Head Groom for Allison Springer.

When you visit the farm, you will notice blooming plants and flowers at each barn as well as the Lacy's home. Digging in the dirt is Cari's passion and she greatly enjoys ensuring the beauty of the Sandy River Equestrian Center property.



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**Max Corcoran**, Professional Groom, has been grooming at the highest level for over 14 years for some of the best in the world. She worked for the O'Connor Event Team for 11 years (2001-2012) managing the barn for most of those years and traveling everywhere with Karen; Olympics (2008, 2012), World Championships (2006, 2010), Pan American Games (2003, 2007) and numerous CCI's all over the US and Europe. Since leaving the OCET, Max now free lances, continuing to travel around the world and the US - she most recently served as stable manager for the Canadian Team at the WEG this summer and traveled to Mexico for the Central American Games for Venezuela. She also teaches horsemanship clinics for the USEA, and the USEF developing programs. Additionally Max is a Board Member of the Professional Riders Organization (PRO).

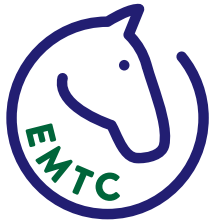
Max is originally from northeast Massachusetts and graduated from Northeastern University. She now lives in Ocala, Florida with her partner Scott who trains and competes Grand Prix show jumpers.



**Vicky Williams**, Recruitment Officer, has been a member of the Sandy River Equestrian Center family for the past 14 years. She returned to riding when her son showed an interest and began riding as a child. When he left to go to college, Vicky stayed. Horses are her passion and she greatly enjoys riding her two horses, Matt and Frog, who reside at the farm.

Vicky is a graduate of Hollins College with degrees in French and International Politics. She and her husband Johnny live in Danville with Vicky's mother Mish. Vicky will assist the Equine Management Training Center with day to day operations and student recruitment.



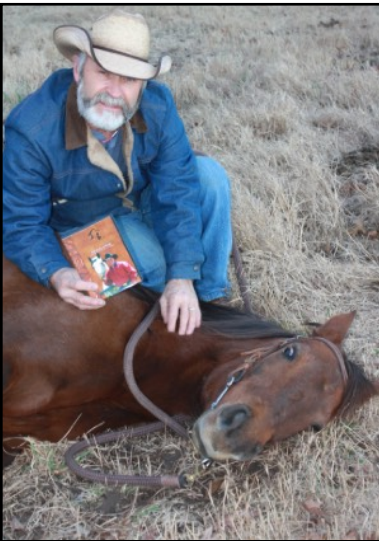


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**Rusty Lacy**, Head of Farm Maintenance, is a man of many talents! Rusty is an avid fly fisherman in addition to having his own Evil Knievel style of motor biking on off-road courses and trails. As the maintenance man, Rusty has an arsenal of tools and equipment along with the knowledge and expertise to meet almost any need. Whether it is a repair, or new construction, Rusty is ready to lend a helping hand!

Known to his grandchildren as “G-Daddy”, Rusty enjoys playing the guitar and banjo in his free time.



**David Tuggle** has been shoeing for the public since 1992. He went to school at the Eastern School of Farrier Science in Martinsville Virginia in 1994. Upon completion, David went on to get his certification with Brotherhood of the Working Farriers Association. Tuggle Farrier Inc. was established in 1995, specializing in hot, cold and corrective shoeing.

In 1996, David became a Journeyman I Farrier. He then went on to attain the Journeyman II designation in 2010 and became an instructor and tester for the BWFA.

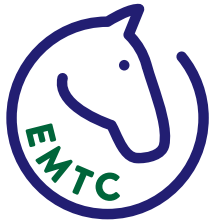
David is known for his kind and gentle nature with the horses and their owners. His lifetime of being a horseman has given him a unique ability to read a horse as well as being able to "see" the foot and know what a horse needs.

Over the past twenty two years David's ability to communicate and teach his trade has given him the opportunity to train multiple young farriers. He has been the President of the Southeastern Farriers and Horseowners Association since 2005.



**Paul Erwin, DVM** is a graduate of Virginia Tech and the Auburn University College of Veterinary Medicine. He is an owner of Chatham Animal Clinic where he has practiced since 1997. Dr. Erwin has special interests in sport and performance horse medicine and general equine reproduction. He is married to Lucy and has two children, Dixon and Mollie. Dr. Erwin enjoys hunting, fishing, and the outdoors.





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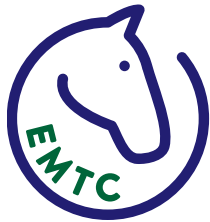
**Dr. Mark Wallace** was born in Nova Scotia, Canada and completed his veterinary degree at the University of Prince Edward Island in 1993. After graduation, he pursued a large animal internship in medicine, surgery, and reproduction at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia. He remained at VA Tech from 1994-1997 to pursue an internal medicine residency and a Masters degree in research related to colic in horses. In 1997 he became board certified in large animal internal medicine by the American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine. Dr. Wallace has published a number of articles in peer-reviewed journals relating to various aspects of large animal medicine.

Dr. Wallace began working in the Piedmont Triad area of North Carolina in 1997 and is a founding partner of Carolina Equine Hospital. His special veterinary interests include equine lameness, equine nutrition, colic and neurologic conditions but he practices and enjoys all areas of equine medicine. He is also an adjunct professor in the Equestrian Studies Department at Averett University in Danville, VA where he teaches courses in Lameness, Equine Nutrition and Equine Research Methods. He is also a contributing professor in the Southern States Advanced and Basic Feed Equine Feedmaster certification programs. Dr. Wallace performs consultation work for a number of pharmaceutical companies and has participated in clinical trials for a variety of new equine drugs that are currently on the market. He also finds the time to speak at a number of meetings including the North Carolina Veterinary Medical Association annual convention.

**Dr. Marty Adams** is the equine nutritionist and horse feed manager for Southern States. He is also the equine nutrition research team member of Cooperative Research Farms for (CRF) for Southern States and has served for 5 years as project leader of this organization. CRF is an international animal nutrition research organization that Southern States has been a member for over 60 years.

Before coming to Southern States he was equine nutritionist for Seminole Feed in Ocala, Florida. Dr. Adams also served as an assistant and associate professor on the animal science faculty at Louisiana Tech University. He holds two B.S. degrees from Southwest Missouri State University and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in Animal Science-Nutrition-Equine from the University of Missouri-Columbia. In addition, Dr. Adams has a professional animal scientist (PAS Equine) certification.





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### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

#### TUITION

Tuition is \$2500 for the eight week session including grooming supplies and job placement. A non-refundable deposit of \$250 must be remitted with the application. The tuition balance is due one month prior to the start of classes and may be paid by check or credit card. Credit card payments are subject to a 5% service fee.

Students must have a high school degree or GED and be at least 18 years of age. They must have a valid driver's license, be willing to travel, and comply to a background check and drug testing.

All students must become members of PRO Groom (Professional Riders Organization).

#### PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR 2016 AND 2017

The eight week session includes six weeks of classroom and practical, hands-on training and two weeks of internship. Sessions scheduled for 2017 are:

- August 7 through September 29, 2017
- October 2 through November 22, 2107

The move in date for each session is the Sunday before classes begin.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications may be downloaded from our website, [www.EQMTC.com](http://www.EQMTC.com). To ensure personal attention for each student, class size is small -- register early!

Several \$500 scholarships are currently available. They will be offered to the first students registering for the program, paying their deposit, and requesting tuition assistance.

#### HOUSING

On-site bunk style housing is available at Sandy River Equestrian Center. The cost of \$450 per session covers all utilities and laundry facilities. The bunk house is equipped with a full kitchen, bathrooms with showers, a living area, and a bunk room.

#### SANDY RIVER EQUESTRIAN CENTER

Located in Axton, Virginia, Sandy River Equestrian Center is ideally situated on 230 acres of rolling hills, woodland trails, and open fields. This attractive facility is comprised of 3 barns -- a 10 stall border barn, 13 stall lesson barn and a 4 stall training barn. Additionally there is an indoor arena, 2 outdoor arenas, 2 cross country schooling fields, and a marked dressage arena. All areas of the center will be used to convey the program lessons set forth by the Equine Management Training Center curriculum. 2015 marked the 25th year of service to riders, horses and the equine community for Sandy River Equestrian Center.

#### CLINICS AND WORKSHOPS

Weekend workshops and clinics plus continuing education for current grooms cover important subjects for those on a tight schedule. Classes will be offered on-site in Axton, Virginia, or at the location of your choice. Details are available at: [www.eqmtc.com](http://www.eqmtc.com).

#### TEXT BOOKS

Each student will be responsible for purchasing the required text books available from Amazon.com.

Equine Research. *Lameness - Recognizing and Treating the Horses Most Common Ailments*. 1 April 2005. \$22

Hill, Cherry. *101 Ground Training Exercises for Every Horse and Handler*. 8 May 2012. \$24

Williams, Gail and McKenna, Alexa. *Horse Movement - Structure, Function, and Rehabilitation*. 2 Sept. 2014 \$40

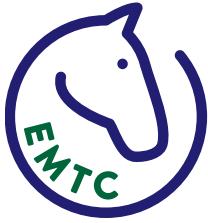
Hill, Cat and Ford, Emma. *World Class Grooming for Horses: The English Rider's Complete Guide to Daily Care and Competition*. 14 April 2015. \$40

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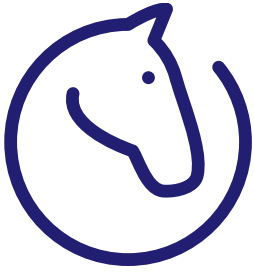
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## APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE EQUINE MANAGEMENT TRAINING CENTER

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

|                           |                         |                        |               |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Last Name                 | First Name              | Middle Initial         | Date of Birth |
| Address                   | City                    | State                  | Zip Code      |
| Email Address             | Phone Number(s)         | Country of Citizenship |               |
| Name of Emergency Contact | Relationship to Student | Phone                  |               |

### EDUCATION

|                               |          |                    |
|-------------------------------|----------|--------------------|
| High School                   | Location | Date of Graduation |
| College                       | Location | Dates Attended     |
| College Course of Study       |          |                    |
| GED Test Site (if applicable) |          | Date of Test       |

### RIDING/WORK EXPERIENCE

|          |          |                  |
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| Employer | Location | Responsibilities |
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Riding Experience/Work with Horses (May be continued on reverse side.)

### SIGNATURE

I hereby apply for admission to the Equine Management Training Center at Sandy River Equestrian Center in affiliation with the Professional Riders Organization. I authorize the Equine Management Training Center to obtain a background check and understand random drug testing may be requested at any time. I agree to abide by all rules for program safety, verify that I have full knowledge of the risks involved in working with horses, and that I am physically fit to participate in the program. (Please list any physical limitations on the reverse side of this form.) I understand that there are no refunds should I leave the program. The information I have submitted in this application is true.

Applicant's Signature

Date



# EQUINE MANAGEMENT TRAINING CENTER

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITY STATEMENT

The Equine Management Training Center does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, age, or veteran's status in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policy: Suzanne Lacy, Director.